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Assembly Voting no Confidence in New Premier as His Honor Arrives to End Their Session—Patriotic Resolution Adopted After His Departure.

The most dramatic, sensational and significant scene possibly in the whole history of British constitutional government marked the going out of the eighth legislature of British Columbia yesterday afternoon at 2.30, and accentuated the feeling of the people and their elected representatives in the matter of the Governor's selection of Hon. Joseph Martin as Premier. After the Speaker had been seated, and Rev. Percival Jenness had opened with prayers, Mr. Prentice rose in his place to a question of privilege, and seconded—seconded by Capt. Irving, of Cassiar, that

"THIS HOUSE HAS NO CONFIDENCE IN THE HONORABLE THIRD MEMBER FOR VANCOUVER CITY, WHO HAS BEEN CALLED UPON TO FORM A GOVERNMENT."

The mover did not supplement his motion with any unnecessarily extended speech. He merely expressed the hope that the house would be unanimous in the adoption of the resolution.

"I must," said Mr. Speaker, "that under the ordinary rules, such a resolution would require two days' notice. Of course the unanimous wish of the house may set the rule aside."

"AYE," came in chorus from both sides of the chamber.

"It has been moved by the honorable member for East Lillooet," said Mr. Speaker, "and seconded by the honorable senior member for Cassiar," (the resolution being formally read to the house).

"The junior member for Cassiar seconds," corrected Mr. Clifford.

"You have heard the question," said Mr. Speaker, "shall the motion pass?"

"AYE," again shouted the house, while the voice of Mr. J. M. Martin of Rossland alone was heard in the negative.

"Names," were called for, and three members—Mr. Dunsmuir, Mr. Robertson and Mr. Helmecken—were found not to have raised their hands either affirmatively or negatively.

"I voted in the affirmative," said Mr. J. M. Martin.

"How does the honorable member for Cowichan vote?" asked Mr. Speaker, directing his attention to the first of those who had given no expression of opinion on the division?

"In favor of Messrs. Henderson, Seaton, Cotton, Wells, Prentice, Macpherson, Ralph Smith, Tisdall, Deane, Neill, Green, Munro, Helgesen, Kinchard, Kidd, Kellie, McKeechie, Hume, Baker, Turner, Higgins, Bryden, Ellison, Irvine, McPhillip, Helmecken, McBride, Clifford, Booth Pooley and A. W. Smith—31."

Counted in favor on refusing to vote were—Messrs. Dunsmuir and Robertson—2.

"No," said Mr. J. M. Martin.

Mr. Speaker and Hon. Joseph Martin, of course, did not vote. Messrs. Ebers and Hall were absent.

Hon. Dr. McKeechie was on his feet to ask that the vote be recorded, and the thousands of applause with which the resolution was received by the house and galleries was still in the air, when word was received to remove the bar of the house, and His Honor entered, attended by his glittering staff.

Simultaneously Mr. Dunsmuir rose, and led the way to the lobby; the members of both parties and all interests save those of the new Premier, trooping after him.

The crowded galleries instantly caught the significance of a general desertion, and round about of cheers for the elected representatives of the people rang through the chamber.

As His Honor took his seat on the throne, the last coat-tail attached to a member of British Columbia's legislature disappeared through the lobby door, and the cheers merged into hisses, laughter and catcalls as the Governor essayed to speak.

He sat for quite two minutes, pale and nervously clapping and unclapping his hands. The staff and house attaches looked from one to another with indignation at their own unenviable position, mingled with dazed bewilderment.

Even theatrical "Joe" Martin, standing at the foot of the dais on the right, in a noble company with Private Secretary T. R. E. McInnes, bit his lips in evident agitation, as he alone of the house faced the jeering throng.

At last His Honor found voice, and rising and bowing formally to the deserters, house, commenced his formal address.

He got no further than the introductory words—"Mr. Speaker, and members of the Legislature Assembly," when the hub-bub recommenced.

"Where are they," asked some one in the gallery, and the tumult increased, cheers and hisses mingling.

At the next trial His Honor succeeded better. Although he was frequently compelled to pause for order that only came at its own sweet pleasure, he was evidently determined to complete his distasteful task and escape from the swaying, laughing, mocking crowd. The document in its entirety was as follows:

"Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

"The usual references to the various measures passed during the session cannot be made on this occasion, as, although you have been sitting almost to a day for the same period of time occupied by the house last year, there has been practically no work accomplished.

"I regret that on account of this failure to transact the business required in the interests of the province, it will be necessary to go to the expense of holding another session before the expiry of the fiscal year.

"During the last few days there have been exceedingly gratifying reports of the British success in South Africa. The surrender of Commandant Cronje, and the relief of Ladysmith, have brought joy to our hearts, and I am sure you will join with me in praying that the war may be satisfactorily ended at an early day.

"I refer with pride to the conspicuous gallantry shown by the Canadian troops in action. The message of Lord Roberts must have brought home to the hearts of all Canadians in a most striking manner the intimate relations which exist between the Mother Land and her Colonies.

"While we rejoice over the gallantry of our Canadian troops, our rejoicing cannot but be tempered with sorrow for the loss of those, including some from our own province, who have given up their lives in their country's service.

"They have fallen, however, in a noble cause, and no higher praise can be awarded to any man than that he died fighting for his mother land.

"I now release you from further attendance."

The speech was read to Hon. Mr. Martin alone of the elected representatives, and Mr. Speaker, who had entered at the left and stood just inside the chamber, rather behind His Honor.

As the reading ended, some one in the gallery suggested, in mockery, "three cheers for McInnes."

The answer was a smothered half-cheer, and then an emphatic chorus of groans and catcalls.

Then His Honor hurried away, pursued by the taunts and jeers of the galleries, and the members of the assembly, who protracted burst into the chamber, starting a tremendous cheer as they entered, and which was taken up at once by the galleries and echoed beyond the chamber to be heard and wondered at in the city, and rising in the nearer streets even above the roar of the fire-cracker fusillade accompanying British Columbia's joy at Ladysmith's relief.

"We are the people," shouted Mr. Ellison as he reached his seat with a bound, and swung his hat in the air—this four-word speech, pregnant with meaning, catching the temper of the people and bringing a roar of applause.

"And we must be respected," added a member, filling out the sentence and the sentiment, while the galleries rang again with shouting.

The Lieutenant-Governor and his retinue entered their carriage and, driven swiftly and silently away, thankful apparently to escape. The legislators remained to put Mr. Speaker Forster in the chair, and adopt the following resolution on the motion of Messrs. McPhillip and McInnes:

"Be it resolved that we the members of the late House of Assembly humbly desire to acknowledge with devout thankfulness the work of Almighty Providence in the relief of Ladysmith, and take the present opportunity of a further renewal of assurance of loyalty and devotion to the person and throne of Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, and to tender to her their congratulations upon the glorious achievement which has just been accomplished through the extraordinary valor and endurance of her loyal and dutiful officers, soldiers and men; that the members of the late house desire to extend their hearty thanks to General Buller and his staff, and to tender to them, and to further express their deep appreciation of the love, devotion and bravery conspicuously displayed by the Canadian contingent; that they desire also to extend their high appreciation to General Sir George White and his noble band of defenders of the beleaguered garrison at Ladysmith; be it further resolved; that they extend their deep sympathy to all who have lost relatives or friends during the war in South Africa; and be it further resolved; that copies of these resolutions be telegraphed to His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada for presentation to Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, to General Buller and his officers and men, and to General White and his gallant band of defenders."

The resolution was carried with unbounded enthusiasm, and after Mr. Helmecken had given all present an invitation to join in Victoria's patriotic hub-bub recommenced.

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By Associated Press.

Ottawa, March 2.—Col. Prior asked today what amounts have been expended in Victoria harbor since 1897.

Mr. Tarte replied that parliament having thought the public money could be spent to better advantage elsewhere in the Dominion had not spent any money in Victoria.

Dr. Borden said the expenditure for transport and pay of Canadian troops for Yukon had been \$543,969, for barracks at Dawson and Selkirk \$53,000.

Mr. Tarte told Col. Prior that the provisions required for men constructing the Dawson telegraph were purchased in Ottawa to the value of \$5,082; later tenders were called and Kelly & Co., of Vancouver, were the lowest tender.

"The opposition caught the government to-night attempting to make the rate of pay of the volunteers after to-day only 40 cents a day. After a vigorous kick Mr. Fielding inserted 50 cents. Hourly amendment to come the pay to the Imperial rate was defeated by 76 to 3.

Sir Charles Tupper announced that the Ocean Accident Company have called \$31,000 to be paid immediately to the relatives of Canadians killed at Paardeberg. (Applause.)

The Premier said Canada had not been asked for more troops for Africa.

The Liberals are getting ready for the general elections. Chief Organizer Smith has been transferred to Ottawa and Liberal headquarters have been opened here from which literature will be sent to the electors with instructions to party workers.

THE WOUNDED CANADIANS.

War Office Classification of Injuries of the Western Men.

Winnipeg, March 1.—The Telegram prints a special cable from London which says:

"The war office has supplied us with a list of wounded in the action at Paardeberg on February 18. This is the first indication of the nature of the wounds received by Canadians. It includes the following: "A" Co.—Private H. Andrews, Fifth Regiment, Victoria; Private F. Finch-Smith, Fifth Regiment, Victoria.

Slightly wounded, "A" Co.—Private Duncaie, 90th, Winnipeg; Private H. Mackenzie, Manitoba Dragoons.

Toronto, March 2.—A special cable to the Globe this morning from Modder River says that Pte. Corbould, of the Western company, a short time ago reported missing, is now reported safe.

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California May Be Floated in Few Days If Weather Favors Favorable.

Montreal, Feb. 28.—Hugh Allan returned from Portland this morning. He says if the weather keeps fine the Californian will be floated in a few days. At present she is in an upright position, and lighters are alongside taking off her cargo. When she left Portland the wrecking steamer from Boston was visible off the harbor and could be worked immediately. All depends on whether the wind keeps down or not. She is resting easily at present, and work can go on quite as long as this state of things lasts.

A PRETORIA BANK.

Kruger Induced to Reconsider Threat to Commander the Staff.

London, March 1.—The Daily Mail says: "The re-opening of Robinson's Bank in Pretoria is due to the good offices of Mr. Hay, United States secretary of state, Mr. Choate and Mr. Adelsberg Hay, the American consul at the Transvaal capital. When President Kruger closed the bank he tried to compel the British staff, and on their refusal to comply, he threatened them with expulsion. Mr. Adelsberg Hay sent the protest of the manager of the bank to Lord Salisbury through Mr. Choate with the result that President Kruger liberated the bank staff, and restored the commandeered gold.

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Toronto, Feb. 28.—Premier Ross made the important announcement this afternoon to the good roads deputation that the government were prepared to grant \$100,000 a year for a period of ten years towards improving the roads of Ontario, provided a satisfactory system is found. The gentlemen to whom this statement was made comprised the committee appointed for the purpose of interviewing the government, at the recent county convention called by York county council.

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Ladysmith, March 1, 6 a.m. (by helicopter to Colenso).—A portion of the forces under Buller, headed by the Dundonald Horse, the Natal Carbineers and other regiments, among them some of the Dublin Fusiliers and Lancshires, have reached this city and raised the siege. They came via the road across the Klip river and east of Cressa's Hill. Rumors yesterday morning brought the information that Buller expected to relieve the garrison within twenty-four hours. Consequently the rejoicing was great. White made all preparations to rally out and aid the advance of the British if it became necessary.

Dundonald reports that when the Lancshires charged Pieter's Hill on Tuesday they overtook Boers flying from the trenches and bayoneted them. Sixteen of the fleeing men were killed and twenty-four wounded.

The Boers after the capture of Pieter's Hill Tuesday by Barton with the Dublin Fusiliers and two battalions of the Sixth Brigade seemed to fall away. There was no general retiring movement observable, but they simply disappeared as the British forces advanced. Grobler's Kloof was abandoned and as Lytleton pushed forward the road seemed entirely clear.

Dundonald with a troop of horse was sent on an expedition to the west on Tuesday night and reconnoitered all that night. On Wednesday morning he reported that he could reach Ladysmith, and the Natal Carbineers and a few Lancshires with several companies were placed under his command. He had little difficulty in making his way through the ravines and around the hills to the southwest of the city and last evening crossed the plain and following the railroad track entered the city. Their arrival was hailed with frantic joy by the besieged. First it was thought that they were the advance of Buller's main force. Buller, according to the relieving force, was rapidly moving north along the railroad from Pieter's Station and expected to occupy Nelthorpe, four miles south of here, by to-night.

The Boers have not made any demonstration from Bulwane this morning. It is doubtful if they are aware of the entrance of Dundonald into Ladysmith. They unquestionably retired in great numbers from the country surrounding Ladysmith, for, according to Dundonald's report, the hills that had been occupied by the enemy to the southwest were bare of Boers yesterday. Dundonald came first in the line.

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Queen City Returns From West Coast and Amur From the North.

The Kinshu Maru came in to the quarantine station yesterday morning from the Orient. She was detained at the station as there were two cases of sickness on board. The crew and passengers were to be thoroughly inspected and disinfected as the Captain does not want to be delayed at Port Townsend quarantine station. There were 172 passengers on board the Kinshu, 172 for Victoria and 100 for Vancouver and the Sound. She has on board 4,000 tons of freight, a good part of which is for Victoria. She is expected at the Outer wharf some time to-morrow morning.

FROM THE WEST COAST.

The Queen City Returned From Her Regular Coast Trip.

The Queen City arrived yesterday morning from the West Coast ports and brings news of a big quartz find on Quatsino Sound, the quartz assaying \$145.55 to the ton. This find was made on the New Comstock group of properties, and Quatsino bids fair to become the richest mining district in British Columbia. The owners of the property have been working it for some time but it was only lately that they discovered this rich seam, which is about 20 feet wide. An assay of this ore shows: gold, \$307.90; silver, 12.12 per cent.; copper, 13 ounces; total value \$145.55 per ton.

News was also brought down by the Queen City of a series of accidents to the sealing schooner Ocean Rover, Captain Cole. She went aground at Skidegate harbor and was deserted by her Indian crew of eleven. Seven however, were brought back, and the schooner was floated and started for the West Coast. She was boarded by a monster seal off Triangle Island and nearly swamped. The waves smashed her hatch and skylight and destroyed or washed away all but one of her boats and canoes, besides flooding her cabin. She was leaking badly and waited at Quatsino for the Queen City and tried to get a tow down. The Captain of the Queen City would not take her, however, owing to the uncertainty of the weather. The Rover will come here to go on the ways for repairs.

AMUR ARRIVES.

Steamer Amur Completed her Northern Run Yesterday Morning.

The steamer Amur came in yesterday morning from Skagway. Among the passengers was Captain Jarvis of the Mounted Police who has been in charge of a post on the Dalton trail. Corporals P. C. Snell and Skirving of Dawson, also came down. Snell and Skirving were in charge of the party who left Dawson in search of the lost Moffat party and found their graves thus clearing up the mystery of their disappearance. Snell and Skirving made a splendid record between Dawson and Bennett. They "mushed" the whole distance in thirteen days, making an average of forty miles a day. Captain Jarvis brings news of a new gold strike on Boulder creek. It is said that fifty cents to the pan has been taken out. Boulder creek has been known for a long time to carry prospects of gold but was only last week that its great richness was discovered by Jack Bigelow, who sank a shaft to bedrock during the cold weather. Captain Jarvis says that the prospects of the Porcupine country are good. Prospectors are sinking on Glacier creek and those who are working on the bed of the Porcupine have found good pay. Two men recently started over the Dalton trail for Cape Nome and a watch is being kept over that trail for clues of the Fred Clayton, who disappeared some time ago.

PERSONAL.

Capt. Bissett returned from Vancouver last evening.

S. MacIure came over from Vancouver yesterday.

Geo. M. Leshman and R. Jamieson were passengers from Vancouver.

C. A. Godson and wife, of Vancouver, are in the city.

N. R. Bain, of Vancouver, is at the Dominion.

J. G. Cameron, of Nelson, is at the Queen's.

Corporals G. M. Skirving and T. C. Snell, of the Mounted Police, Dawson, are registered at the Dominion. They leave to-morrow for Halifax.

T. Atkins, of Morris & Atkins, Vancouver, is at the Victoria.

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A MEMORABLE DAY.

Yesterday will long be remembered by the people of Victoria. There never was anything like it here before, and there could not have been anywhere a more enthusiastic demonstration of loyalty and patriotic pride. The remarkable thing about it all was the marvelous way in which the affair was got up. It may be said to have arranged itself. It was in the highest degree a representative gathering. If a committee had planned the matter for a month they could not have done it better. But that is the way with Victoria. It does things by a rule of its own, and needs no one to direct it. There is no use in writing anything about it, and the capacity of a typesetting machine is so limited that it is impossible to express in print an atmosphere surcharged with loyal enthusiasm. The feeling which inspired every heart was derived from a variety of causes, but we think that chief among them were a sense of profound gratitude that the heroic Ladysmith garrison had been succored, pride in the achievement of our arms and intense satisfaction at the high position gained by the Canadians now at the front, for side by side in every one's thought with the relief of Ladysmith was the gallant deed of the Royal Canadians at Paardeberg.

MR. MARTIN'S POLICY.

In the brief reference to the platform enunciated by Mr. Joseph Martin in yesterday's Colonist the statement was made that nothing which had appeared in that issue was to be construed as an endorsement or confirmation of the policy of the new government, which was reserved for future treatment. No other reference was possible owing to the late hour at which Mr. Martin's statement was received. The platform contains a number of important features, which called for greater consideration than could be given them on such short notice. We had already indicated the general lines upon which the Colonist believed the business of the country should be carried on, the salient features of any plan which it could endorse, and had declared that "the people of British Columbia will not tolerate for an instant any government which does not present for their endorsement a sober, conservative, yet progressive policy." This is where the Colonist stood yesterday morning. It is where it has stood all through this political controversy. It is where it stands to-day, and standing there, it is forced by its record, which is known to all men, and by its inclinations, its political beliefs and the loyalty which it feels to the best interests of the province, to declare itself uncompromisingly opposed to the platform laid down by the new premier. There may be a minor matter or two in Mr. Martin's pronouncements to which we do not take exception, as for example the assertion of provincial rights and the amendments to the license law. The Colonist has always been a strenuous supporter of provincial rights and has no objections to make to the amendments to the license law. Neither does it see any objection to the disposal of the Deadman's Island question, if there is such a question, through the instrumentality of the courts. We do not see where else it can properly be disposed of. But these things out of the way, we must condemn the platform as incendiary and as calculated to prolong what we described yesterday "as a feeling of unrest."

The platform promises legislative experiments of a most dangerous kind. It proposes that the province shall adopt the experiment of the government ownership of railways, and by borrowing money at a cheap rate go into active competition with enterprises which have to earn dividends for their owners and pay a higher percentage upon their bonds. This is of itself sufficient to condemn the platform and call for the prompt defeat of the ministers who are responsible for it. How long does anyone suppose that our 3 per cent. bonds can be floated at anything like a reasonable figure, if we enter into the money market with the avowed purpose of antagonizing every railway enterprise in the province? We venture to say that not a financial house in London can be induced to take up such a loan and that, if any could be, the general public would refuse to invest. British Columbia cannot afford to play with its credit. We do not say that speculators might not take our three per cents. at a large discount, knowing that the money was to be employed in this way; but we maintain that the immediate effect of the approval by the people of British Columbia of such a revolutionary platform would be to array against the province all the great financial interests in the money centres of the world and that the price of our bonds would immediately

fall. A part of this scheme is to secure from the Dominion the same subsidies for railways constructed by the province as are given to lines built by private companies. If anyone in point of fact indulges in such a hope, he must be sanguine to the verge of folly. On the general proposition of the government ownership of railways, we shall have more to say at a later day. At present it will be sufficient to state that as we have always opposed it as a visionary, costly and impractical notion, as applied to British Columbia under existing conditions, so we are opposed to it now.

The declaration in the platform about borrowing money for roads, trails and bridges may mean anything at all. We have always held that such a policy was a sound one, but we dissent from the idea that moneys borrowed for this purpose should be repaid or the interest upon them should be met by special taxation, or the imposition of tolls upon persons using these necessary public works. The opening of the province by roads, trails and bridges is for the benefit of the whole people, and the burden should fall proportionately upon all, just as the burden of other public expenditures does. The additional revenue resulting from the increase of revenue caused by the influx of population, induced by such public works, will more than make up for any charges upon the treasury in the way of interest and sinking fund. If it does not, then the only proper conclusion is that the expenditure in such improvements is progressing too rapidly.

The determination of the new government to insist that the eight-hour law shall remain intact upon the statute book must in the light of what has occurred during the last year, and in view of the conditions now existing in Kootenay, be condemned as wholly unwise. To suggest that the important interests involved in the metalliferous mines should be left to wait upon the action of an incendiary government along the lines of conciliation is full of danger and cannot be endorsed by those who have the welfare of the province at heart.

The declaration that the government will stand firmly by the legislation of 1890, except the alien exclusion law, requires a greater consideration than can be given it in this article. We favor the repeal of the specified law, but must ask to be excused this morning from saying anything as regard to the other acts of the session of 1899 in detail. We are inclined to regard this paragraph in the platform as simply a declaration by Mr. Martin that in politics he is "semper idem."

We are told that a railway bridge is to be erected over the Fraser at New Westminster as a means of inducing the Great Northern and the Northern Pacific to run trains into Vancouver. If these great companies wish to run trains into Vancouver, the lack of a bridge will not stop them. They expend almost monthly in single improvements far more money than such a bridge would cost, and there now stands upon the statute book a provision for assistance to such a bridge which these companies might long ago have availed themselves of if they wanted to. That the Colonist is in favor of a railway from the Coast to Kootenay and a ferry connection with Victoria need not be repeated here; but we are averse to the construction of such a work as a government enterprise. We opposed such an idea when it was advanced in the legislature of 1898, and we are opposed to it now.

This covers all the points in Mr. Martin's manifesto. There is one thing about that document for which we are pleased. It presents clear cut issues. It lays down a platform upon which people cannot hesitate about taking sides. Those who believe trying in this province experiments in legislation such as have driven capital out of New Zealand and as have been espoused by the discredited Populist party in the U. S., those are indifferent as to whether the province receives a new impetus in progress and development, those who favor demagoguery instead of statesmanship in politics will find in this platform much that is exactly to their liking. On the other hand all those who desire to see settled conditions restored in British Columbia, all who believe that the investment of capital should be encouraged, all who believe that the province should be made an attractive home for those who depend on manual labor, all who wish to see the provincial credit sustained abroad, and, in short, all who desire to see the unrest now prevailing allayed, will, we believe, unite with the Colonist in giving it their most strenuous opposition.

In conclusion we wish to ask that all those who realize the critical nature of the existing political conditions and the harm that will result from the commitment of the province to such a platform as that laid down by Mr. Martin, to unite in forming a new political party, having no other object than the advancement of the best interests of British Columbia and the overthrow by all legitimate means of those who seek to bring into effect a policy fraught with incalculable evil.

The members of the late government party have organized under the leadership of Mr. Cotton and declared against party lines. We approve of the declaration, but question the propriety of any number of gentlemen meeting and sel-

ecting a leader in view of the fact that we are on the eve of a struggle in which all the best interests of British Columbia are involved. We need hardly add that the members of the late opposition party, which is as much an opposition party now as are Mr. Cotton's followers, will not feel themselves bound by any such action. We fancy that before an election is held all elements opposed to Mr. Martin's government will find little difficulty in consolidating, but the choice of leadership must be settled not before, but after the election. The people have no relish for an issue of Martin vs. Cotton. More important matters demand their attention.

Only one other paper in Canada, a Montreal daily, besides the Colonist announced in its regular edition this morning the relief of Ladysmith. As a "scooper" the Colonist can put itself on the back.

It is not yet announced when the house is to be dissolved, but there can hardly be any room for doubt that it will soon be. None of the members of the new government, with the exception of the premier, held a seat in the house, and as each of them must find a constituency and it is not likely that any members will obligingly resign to make room for them, an early election is inevitable.

We outlined yesterday the precedent established by the events of the last few days. To-day we have to add to it that the house by an almost unanimous vote declared that the new premier does not possess its confidence, and the members retired in a body when the Lieutenant-Governor came down to prorogue the house, for the purpose of showing that they disapproved of the course taken by His Honor. Whatever difference of opinion may exist as to the propriety of such a withdrawal, it must be conceded that anything done by the representatives of a free people to signify their displeasure of the acts of the representative of the crown establishes a precedent that can never be ignored.

It seems like a very extraordinary thing that in forming a government Mr. Martin has had to go to outside of the legislature for every one of his colleagues. We do not think that anything cannot expect to be sustained by the country. We do not suppose that ever before such a thing occurred. It is certainly astonishing that not a man out of the other thirty-seven who occupy seats in the house with him could be persuaded to accept office in his cabinet. This is not because he is not a gentleman of recognized ability, but because he is regarded with distrust by public men of all parties. We think that the verdict of the people will be that the Lieutenant-Governor has made a very great mistake in the selection of his first ministry.

THE POSITION OF LIBERALS.

To the Editor of the Colonist:

Sir:—Is the Hon. Joseph Martin a Liberal? He says he is, but adds that he is an independent one. He has been called upon by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor to advise him in the present political crisis, and he is apparently surrounding himself with other Liberals, no doubt with the intention of calling upon all the Liberals in the province to rally around his standard. Mr. Martin, as an independent Liberal, has no right to make this call, and he has no mandate from the Liberals of the province to form a Liberal administration, and it is sincerely to be hoped that the Liberals will not countenance his action.

I am far from believing that Mr. Martin is as black as he has often been painted by his enemies; he has some qualities which one must admire, but I am thoroughly satisfied that it is not the good of his country that he has at heart but his own desire to gain power, partly to satisfy his ambition and partly to whip and trounce his political opponents. For my part I distrust him as a leader, and will not support him, no matter what his policy may be. Policy with him represents not his real sentiments, but his view of the best means to an end.

In the interests of good government and for the sake of our magnificent province, it is earnestly to be hoped that the Conservatives will not attempt to take advantage of Mr. Martin's false claim to draw Dominion party lines in the coming campaign, but will leave the Liberals free to work in harmony with them as one united party for British Columbia.

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Toronto, Feb. 27.—The news of Cronje's surrender caused the greatest enthusiasm in the city this evening and despatches from all over the province show that the feeling was equally keen there.

In many smaller villages bells were rung, decorations put up and the schools given a holiday. When the news came of the gallant part the Canadians had taken in the actual finish of Cronje the enthusiasm was keener, although it was checked by the statement of losses. Only one Toronto man appeared to be included in the list of the killed, F. C. Page, formerly of the Governor-General's Body Guard. He was a big fellow, and was refused permission to join the regiment at first on account of his size, but was then admitted because he was a crack shot. He was an Englishman by birth and was in the North-west with the Grenadiers in 1885. He served in the Spanish-American war with the 64th Regiment of the United States. His father and grandfather were soldiers in the British army.

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Victoria Juniors.—The next association game for the Victoria junior cup will be played at Beacon Hill to-morrow afternoon between the Boys' Brigade and South Parks. Mr. W. Donaldson will act as referee.

Donations Acknowledged.—The following ladies and gentlemen contributed reading matter to the Home for the Aged and Infirm during the month of February: Mrs. L. J. Quaglin, Mrs. H. D. Helms, Mrs. W. Burns, Mr. D. Sprague, Mr. Geo. Marsden, Mr. N. Shakespeare, Dr. Lewis Hall and Mr. C. E. Jones.

No Militia.—The absence of the volunteers from the parade yesterday was much regretted by all and many comments were made on the noticeable omission. It is understood that the commanding officer of the district could not get authority to order a parade, although the rank and file as well as the officers were anxious to take part as a body in the patriotic demonstration.

Association Football.—Victoria vs. Garrison. Game will be played between Victoria and the Garrison at the Barracks to-morrow afternoon, kick off at 2:30. The Victoria team is: Goal, F. Jones; backs, B. Schweizers and A. Goward; half-backs, A. Rutherford, J. Lorrimer, A. Johnston; forwards, H. Shandley, J. Hunter, R. Knott, R. Livingstone, and Lyons. All these players should catch the 2:15 Esquimalt car at the corner of Yates street.

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William Croft Dead.—The death occurred at Vancouver yesterday of William Croft, formerly of this city. Deceased was a native of Kingston, Ont., and 42 years of age. For a number of years he drove a stage on the Cariboo road and later held a position with the Moodyville Sawmill Company. In Victoria he conducted at different times the Royal Brown Jug and Adolphus saloons, and later the Poodle Dog restaurant.

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Devotional Meeting.—The W.C.T.U. held a devotional meeting yesterday afternoon. The meeting was led by Mrs. Andrews and was not very well attended owing to the celebration.

Starting Early.—The voters of South Victoria will meet at the Royal Oak on Friday, the 16th, for the purpose of selecting a farmers' candidate to contest that constituency in the forthcoming provincial election.

With army officers Jesse Moore "AA" whiskey is a very popular drink.
Hot in Africa.—The Canadians serving in South Africa have a unique experience on Christmas. Instead of snow and ice the sun was shining brightly, except when hidden behind clouds of sand. On Christmas Day the thermometer registered 114 in the shade. The sand storms, according to "The Arthur Carter" in a letter received by a friend yesterday, generally occur at meal times.

As a tonic, nothing in the world beats Jesse Moore "AA" whiskey.

Public Library.—Two thousand and thirty-seven books were issued from the city library in the month of February. The highest number issued in one day was 150, and the average number issued was 15. Nineteen new members joined the library, 11 of these being ladies and 8 gentlemen. There were added to the library "Biological Experimentation," "Science and Health, with Key to Scripture," "Journal of Senate of Canada, 1899," "Geological Survey of Canada, vol. 10 and Annual Report, 1897, with maps.

Jesse Moore "AA" whiskey is used at all the principal hospitals in the United States. Why is it?

Promenade Concert.—At the Drill hall concert Saturday evening the Fifth Regiment band will play a new descriptive piece specially arranged by Bandmaster Fine entitled "The Relief of Ladysmith." The synopsis of which is as follows: Buller approaches the enemy, prayer before the battle, the advance, the band is heard playing the "British Grenadier," "Soldiers of the Queen," the Boers, cease firing is sounded, cheers for the Queen, Britons victorious, the Union Jack waves over Ladysmith, God Save the Queen.

How can the British trooper hold
Defeat the wily Boer,
Unless he tones his system up
With good old "Jesse Moore?"

No Performance.—Prof. McEwen, the hypnotist, who has been given performances at the A.O.U.W. hall will not appear again this week.

Strong Attraction.—Inez Carusi, the harp soloist, should prove a strong attraction at the Drill hall concert on Saturday evening. Inez Carusi's performances on the harp have received prominent attention from leading writers on music, the article in Munsey for April, 1898, by Theodore Dreise being especially complimentary. Mr. Dreise compared Miss Carusi with Miss Morgan, and concludes his interesting article by stating that Miss Carusi's "prestige has been acquired by a great number of public recitals, in which she has by her playing stirred great interest. It is due to such efforts as hers and those of Miss Morgan that the harp recital has become an event of as much musical interest as a piano recital."

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SARDON'S PLAYS.

Blanche Walsh and Melbourne MacDowell at the Victoria Theatre this evening.

Blanche Walsh and Melbourne MacDowell in Sardou's "Cleopatra" will be the attraction at the Victoria Theatre to-night. The success of Miss Walsh in the Sardou repertory has been the topic of considerable comment throughout the country the past season. Miss Walsh is no stranger in this city but she has never appeared here until last season in roles calling for such an equipment of youth, feminine beauty and talent and a considerable amount of real histrionic genius. It is generally acknowledged that Miss Walsh is the possessor of all those qualities so essential to great success upon the stage, and has discovered how to apply them to get the best results. The coming of Sardou's plays has always been looked upon as an important event in theatrical circles. The company is very strong and it goes without saying that the stage pictures and embellishments down to the smallest detail will be as complete as possible. Mr. Melbourne MacDowell will be seen in his original parts of Scarpia, and Marc Antony.

The famous Queen of Egypt has for centuries presented an altogether unique figure in the minds of these cultivated enough to care for historical personages. From the first act on to the very last, including the great storm episode, a series of charming Egyptian pictures will be presented. The reproduction of the famous "Cleopatra barge" with its accompaniment of music, singing, crowds of swaying and dancing figures, armed Roman soldiers and brilliant colored surroundings makes a picture rarely witnessed on the stage. The storm scene in the fifth act is said to be one of the most thrilling examples of realism known to the contemporary stage. "Cleopatra" will be repeated at the matinee to-morrow afternoon and the engagement will close with "La Tosca" to-morrow night. Owing to the extreme length and stupendous production of "Cleopatra" the curtain will rise at 8 p.m. sharp to-night and at 2 p.m. sharp to-morrow.

How to Improve Your Telephone.—There is in use in larger cities an instrument called a paralyzer (whatever that means). It causes the most intense wakefulness in the central—so much so that one never requires to give the number the second time. It is a splendid thing and much needed here. At 80 Yates street, the Victoria News Co., R. T. Williams, manager, you will find ample books and stationery, and save enough on your purchases to pay for your telephone.

Victoria's Jubilation

Magnificent Demonstration by the Citizens at the News From Ladysmith.

Monster Pageants Parade the Streets and a Multitude Wild With Joy.

How the Colonist Received the Tidings Which Brought So Much Exultation.

Victoria went crazy yesterday—crazy with joy at the news of the relief of Ladysmith, of Buller's success and the triumph of British arms.

General Buller himself and his loyal troops as they first gained entrance to the besieged city could not have displayed greater exultation than did Victorians yesterday on receipt of the glorious tidings.

From the moment that the telegraphic apparatus in the C.P.R. office ticked out the words "Ladysmith relieved," until now, as these words are being penned, Victoria has done everything conceivable to show her great joy at the welcome news.

The great announcement which stirred the hearts of everyone came suddenly. The news from the front during the day did not indicate that the relief of Ladysmith was imminent, and at that time the Colonist had received its usual night despatches, which did not contain anything of startling importance. "30" had gone on night report in the telegraph office and Operator Harry Davey was preparing to go home.

It was 2 o'clock in the morning. "Tick, tick, tick, tick, tick," Vancouver was calling Victoria. The operator answered back; then came the words—"Ladysmith relieved!"

That was enough. The supply of fire-crackers which was on hand in the telegraph office was put to the match, and five minutes afterwards, under orders from Mayor Hayward, who was apprised of the good news by phone, the fire-bells proclaimed to the sleeping city the news of Buller's triumph.

Instantaneously at the receipt of the news the Colonist building was brilliantly illuminated and a great quantity of fire-crackers set off in front of the entrance.

The city commenced to awaken. Half-dressed men, and women and children began collecting on the street corners in the business portion, bon-fires were lighted, more fire-crackers were exploded and a cheering, shouting mob told to the waking town the glorious tidings. With the approach of dawn came more pretentious efforts to celebrate the great event, bunting was flung to the breeze, stores were ransacked for British flags, Chinatown looted for fire-crackers and preparations made for a day of general rejoicing.

And what a day it was! A day of cheering, smiles and sunshine; streets thronged, bands playing, monster patriotic pageants parading the streets and on all sides hearts throbbing with joy at the splendid tidings which moved the British Empire—from faraway Victoria to South Africa—in one grand upheaval of patriotism.

His Worship Mayor Hayward took early steps to have the rejoicings of some degree of system. At a hurriedly summoned meeting of the patriotic committee it was decided that a monster parade should be held and that this was done "up to the hilt," all who have eyes and ears will testify.

During the entire day all business was suspended. Employees were dismissed at the Albion Iron Works and other large concerns, and in factory and shop work benches were deserted.

Outside of individual efforts at a display of enthusiasm the first manifestation Victorians had of anything in the direction of a systematic celebration was the appearance on the streets about 11 a.m. of the Fifth Regiment band, which paraded the principal thoroughfares, followed by a mob of people cheering with delight, bearing British flags of all sizes.

THE GREAT PARADE.

Monster Procession Traverses Principal Thoroughfares Amid Cheers.

At three o'clock the waiting throngs on Government and the principal streets in the business portion of the city were aroused to a great pitch of enthusiasm by the appearance of the head of a monster procession which, headed by Bob Foster, carrying an immense British flag, wound its way through the principal thoroughfares amid tumultuous applause from the assembled throngs.

The procession was one worthy the occasion and the city which bears the name of our beloved Majesty. The city and province were represented by Mayor Hayward and civic officials being noticed in back, and the provincial legislature was represented by a carriage containing Messrs. Price, Ellison, C. E. Pooley, James Dunsinuir, D. W. Higgins, H. D. Leimcke and J. D. Breton. This carriage, containing representatives of the province was cheered all along the route.

The fire department made a splendid turnout. Chief Deasy had every portion of the apparatus in the parade and the numerous engines and hose carts were appropriately decorated.

The most noticeable feature of the procession was the participation in the pageant of the school children. A squad of lovely little fellows decorated with British flags marched nobly along to the strains of the "Red, White and Blue," and afterwards came a group of youthful amazons clad in the uniform of the British soldier, their appearance being the signal for loud and prolonged cheering.

The lions with which Agie, the celebrated lion tamer, performs at the Lyceum theatre were in the parade and the appearance of these living emblems of Britain's might called forth loud and prolonged applause. The great white lion, with its massive mane and ponderous proportions looked in every sense emblematic of Britain's strength.

Then were to be noticed Mayor Hayward and the civic officials, members of the provincial house and others, all being greeted with loud cheers as the procession proceeded.

Hackmen, expressmen, draymen and private vehicles to the number of a hundred or more followed, decorated most handsomely and appropriately.

At the rear and a patriotic expressman had mounted over his wagon an effigy

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of Kruger, which bore on its breast a placard with the announcement that "Placid Kruger will be roasted to-night at 8 o'clock." The appearance of his wagon was the signal for great laughter and loud applause all along the route of procession.

One patriotic little lady appeared driving a train of five Klondike dogs attached to the regulation Yukon sleigh, laden with miners' goods. She may be expected the little lady and her dog team were cheered again and again.

AT THE CITY HALL.

Some Patriotic Addresses Delivered by Prominent Citizens.

After traversing the principal streets amid the salvo of applause which greeted the procession on its way, a halt was made at the city hall, where patriotic speeches were delivered to the large crowd in attendance by His Worship Mayor Hayward, Rev. Dr. Campbell and C. H. Lugin, editor of the Colonist.

Mayor Hayward first of all called for three cheers for General Buller, who had saved Ladysmith against great odds. These were given with great fervor, and the Mayor, continuing called for cheers for General Buller, who had shown what British pluck, courage and determination could accomplish against tremendous odds. It was, he said, a celebration which to-day would be told all around the world, as expressive of the fervid loyalty of Victorians. He spoke of the splendid work done by the Canadians at the front, displaying while he spoke, a placard bearing the words "For the Empire." He thought that this would be the next occasion on which Victoria would be called upon to celebrate. Three cheers were then given for the Queen.

The Rev. Dr. Campbell, the next speaker, said the exhibition of patriotism showed that the heart of the people was alive to the Queen and Empire. Alluding to the marvelous work done by General Buller, amid tumultuous applause, Dr. Campbell said he almost felt like cheering for Kruger, who, in his act in declaring war upon Great Britain had solidified the Empire from north to south and from east to west. (Applause.)

Mr. C. H. Lugin, opened his remarks by declaring that the Canadians had done much to make us proud of them. (Cries of "You bet.") We cheered, said the speaker, for White and for Buller, but we must not forget Col. Kekewich who had held Kimberley against a powerful force for three months. (Three cheers for Kekewich.) Neither should we forget continued the speaker after the applause had subsided, Baden-Powell. The mention of the name was sufficient to call forth renewed cheering, which lasted for some minutes. "And," continued Mr. Lugin, "the gallant Garrison at Mafeking that has held out so long against enormous odds, and who to-day has repelled the last assault." (Three cheers for Mafeking.) But best of all, concluded Mr. Lugin, is the fact that the Canadian boys have won applause from the whole empire by their valor. (Applause.) They were only kept back from charging on the Boers' position before the surrender of Cronje by the orders of the commander-in-chief.

With three cheers for the Royal Canadians and the singing of God Save the Queen, the crowd at the city hall dispersed.

LAST NIGHT'S JOY.

Great Bulk of the Citizens Continue the Jubilation With Vigor.

One dense throng of people filled the business portions of the city streets last evening, continuing with unabated vigor the celebration of "Ladysmith Day." Firecrackers in abundance were set off by prominent business houses and with bands playing and a cheering mob everything was done to accentuate the pleasure felt on all hands at the receipt of the good news.

The James Bay Athletic Association paraded the streets, burnt "Old Kruger" in effigy and otherwise testified to their delight at the relief of Ladysmith. Great quantities of fire crackers were set off in front of the Colonist office and the celebration continued far into the night, even as these words are being written the cheering crowds on the streets are rousing the early slumberers.

A Ladysmith Baby.—There is one little girl in Victoria who will have no difficulty in remembering the date of the relief of Ladysmith, for her arrival at the home of her parents, at No. 13 Frederick street, was coincident with the pealing of bells announcing the receipt of the long expected news. Mr. Alexander von Hagen, the happy father, says there can be no doubt that Ladysmith will be the little one's name.

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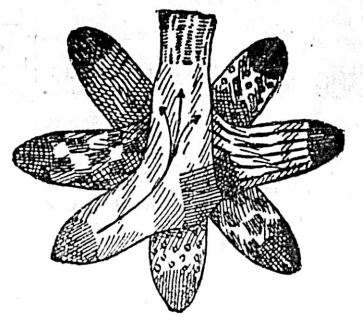
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Vancouver, March 1.—There was wild enthusiasm here this morning on receipt of the news that Ladysmith had been relieved. To-day the streets of Vancouver are ablaze with bunting and the whole city is intoxicated with joy. At 9:30 Duncan McLellan paraded the streets playing the bagpipes clad in full Highland costume. Abreast of him waving flags were Patrick Alexander representing the fighting Irish race and Duncan McKinnon in Highland costume wearing the kilts his father wore when in active service with the Black Watch and James Miller, brother of the piping hero of Dargah Heights. Behind this grand quartette was about 100 boys waving flags. Similar scenes too numerous to mention were enacted during the day.

Vancouver, March 1.—The Mayor declared a civic holiday for the afternoon and in obedience to instructions from the Postmaster-General, the postal staff too were given a holiday. The schools were dismissed and the children were about with glad faces, a great many of them wearing small flags pinned to their clothing. In the city, business was suspended and the people gave themselves up to enjoyment. A bugler galloped through the streets calling out the militia, who paraded in honor of the victory. The militia band played about the streets and gradually the excitement rose higher and higher and things that would have been considered ridiculous yesterday were considered just the thing to-day. The entire town turned out on the streets and half of the citizens had flags pinned on their jackets or coats. Everything that moved was decorated. Friends, acquaintances and strangers, shook hands as a matter of course. As night came on those who had been holding in through a lingering sense of dignity let themselves loose and the whole town became mad with joy. A monster torchlight procession, bigger, grander and more enthusiastic than anything ever seen here, formed at the city hall and paraded several streets led by the Mayor of the city. Shouting was continuous all along the line of march, and the jubilation will no doubt last far into the morning. Mayor Gordon and other prominent citizens made patriotic speeches and private citizens who did not take an active part in the procession helped the celebration along in many ways by setting off fireworks, etc. The entire city was illuminated. The scenes on the streets at this writing beggar description; they are witnessed seldom in a lifetime.

NELSON'S KEEN INTEREST.
Nelson, March 1.—Nelson is on fete to-night in honor of the relief of Ladysmith. The whole populace turned out to participate in the parade and witness the display of fireworks, which was on an elaborate scale. A thousand people crowded into the opera house, where there was a smoking concert in aid of the Canadian patriotic fund. Speeches were delivered by prominent citizens and tremendous enthusiasm was displayed.

Fifty passengers and the crew on the steamer Moyle, which has been in quarantine at the dock here for two weeks, on account of a case of smallpox being discovered aboard, had a big demonstration on their own hook.

Nelson is well represented in every Canadian contingent in South Africa or en route.

REBELLION'S END RECALLED.
Toronto, March 1.—The celebration of the relief of Ladysmith by the people of Toronto was the most remarkable exhibition of patriotic fervor since the return of the troops from quelling the Northwest rebellion. The news came sufficiently early in the morning to be heard by the working men in their warehouses and stores on their way to business. The result was that everyone in the city heard the good tidings before nine o'clock and the bulk of the people spent the balance of the day in celebrating. Factories closed down, tens of thousands of school children were turned out on the streets to add their shrill cries to the cheering of multitudes. Thousands of students in the various universities and colleges tramped the streets singing martial airs and business men of the board of trade sang the National Anthem.

STUDENTS HOIST THE FLAG.
Montreal, March 1.—The news of the relief of Ladysmith was received with much greater enthusiasm throughout

Eastern Canada than the news of the relief of Kimberley or Cronje's surrender. In this city crowds thronged the newspaper bulletin boards and manifested the greatest interest in the news, many cheers being raised for the General who had had the most difficult task to perform in relieving the beleaguered garrison. Many stores displayed flags and bunting.

The McGill students upon hearing the news visited French newspaper offices, some of whom had lended somewhat in their sympathy with the Boers. In some instances they took possession of the bulletin boards and compelled the proprietors to display British flags. Finding no flag displayed on the city hall, they marched in a body to the tower of that building and hoisted a flag. Five hundred High School boys also paraded the streets with banners.

Police patrol wagons were ordered out at the instance of some of the French papers to arrest the students, but Ald. Lebeuf, chairman of the police committee, ordered the wagons back to the respective stations without their prey.

At five o'clock this afternoon the students of Laval, the Catholic university, appeared at St. Giles street and demanded that the flags ordered up by the McGill boys be pulled down. The request was promptly complied with, but not until one British flag had been torn up by the French students. Then the McGill men appeared again and there was every prospect of a riot. Large bodies of police kept the two factions apart until the leaders got together under the chairmanship of Ald. Lebeuf, chairman of the police committee.

Then it was agreed that the Laval students should go one way and the McGill men the other. The police started the crowds moving and the trouble was over.

To-night, despite a blizzard that has stalled the street cars for the first time in history, and tied up all railway trains, over ten thousand people gathered on Dominion Square and around an immense bonfire of tar-barrels celebrated the relief of Ladysmith. Nothing like it was ever seen before in Montreal.

The Canadian Pacific railway offices and other business houses gave their employees a half holiday. Mayor Prefontaine, in issuing a proclamation for a half holiday, delivered a warm patriotic speech.

THE CANADIAN CASUALTIES.
List of Those Killed and Died of Wounds Received in Finishing Cronje.

Ottawa, March 1.—A cable received to-day, dated March 1, from Sir Alfred Milner, to Lord Minto, gives Major Arnold, Winnipeg, as dangerously wounded. The message also says that Private McCrery, Sussex, N.B., is dead.

It is reported that Private Johnston of Lambton, and a son of Dr. Johnston, M.P., was not the Johnston killed in the charge on the Boer trenches, but Private Johnston of the 96th Battalion, Winnipeg.

The official list of killed and wounded on the morning of Cronje's surrender, was issued by the department of militia to-day. Those killed in action were: Pte. A. C. Page, Governor-General's Body Guard, Toronto; Corp. B. Whitney, Royal Canadian Artillery; Pte. G. Ormond, 33rd Cumberland Infantry; Pte. W. A. Riggs, Charlottetown Engineers; Pte. J. B. Scott, Royal Canadian Regiment; Corporal F. W. Withers, C.A.; Pte. Jos. N. Johnston, 62nd St. John Fusiliers.

Other Canadians who died of wounds received in the action are: Pte. F. Wasdel, 3rd Victoria Rifles, Montreal; Pte. A. Roy, 80th Tennesseans, and Rimousi Battalion; Corp. W. S. Brady, 43rd Ottawa; Pte. G. T. Thomas, Governor-General's Foot Guards, Ottawa; Pte. F. J. Living, 43rd Ottawa.

The list of wounded is a long one.

BERLIN DISCONCERTED.
Anti-British Press Has Little Comment on Changed Situation in Natal.

Berlin, March 1.—A special edition of the Lokal Anzeiger scattered broadcast announced the relief of Ladysmith. The press generally make but little comment, evidently being disconcerted by the sudden change in the situation. The papers outside of Berlin, however, continue as violently anti-British as ever.

The popular view of the relation of the blood to human character and conduct is marked in many a familiar expression. We speak of their being "bad blood" between people at enmity, of "blue blood" as indicating ancestry, of "black blood" as describing a treacherous nature, and in many another phrase mark our belief that in the mental, moral and physical man, "the blood is the life." The one basis of a healthful, happy and useful life is pure blood. With the blood pure, disease has no permanent lodging place in the system. For this reason on the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery rids the body of diseases which have their origin in impurity of the blood. It absolutely purifies the blood, carrying off the waste and poisonous matter, increasing the action of the blood making glands, and building up the body by supplying the blood in quantity and quality. It is essential to a condition of health. It cures ninety-eight people out of every hundred who give it a fair trial.

THE LARGEST ARCHED BRIDGES IN THE WORLD.

Engineering illustrates the largest arched bridges on the Continent, which span the Rhine. They represent a type of bridge which, although very popular on the Continent for large spans, has not found much application in this country, although it originated in the east-ion arch of the Conbrookdale Bridge of 1779, over the Severn, which has a span of 102 feet. Up to 1898, the Dom Luiz Bridge over the Douro, with its arch span of 365 feet, was the largest bridge of the kind in the world. The Bonn mild steel bridge, with its one arch of 616 feet span, and the Dusseldorf Bridge, with two arches of 594 feet 8 inch span, now rank first in Europe. But the Niagara and Clifton Bridge of 1898 surpasses them all with its span of 840 feet. The Rhine, according to Engineering, has but few bridges, considering its great length. At Bonn the river is 450 yards wide, and although

the town has 50,000 inhabitants, and Poppelsdorf adjoining 22,000 inhabitants, there is no bridge. Railway lines run along both banks; but up till recently there was no bridge on the reach between Coblenz and Cologne, a distance of 55 miles, and the cross traffic depended upon ferries and further upon a railway trestle, two miles above Bonn, consisting of three ferry-boats, each carrying 300 tons, worked by engines and cables. Caesar's much-disputed wooden bridge, Engineering mentions, is now supposed to have been, not at Bonn, but considerably higher up the river, near Weissenburg, where important Roman fortifications have recently been discovered. The ferry-boats and the pontoon bridges of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, when Bonn was still the residence of the sovereign Archbishops of Cologne, suffered much during the frequent wars. The French revolutionary army of 1795 requisitioned all the ships of the district and placed a bridge over the Rhine—to return a few days later and to destroy their work.

Such then is the obvious development of the attack on Africa all the way from Alexandria to Capetown.—Col. H. G. Prout, in the Engineering Magazine.

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THE WEATHER

Meteorological Office.

Victoria, March 1.—8 p.m.

SYNOPSIS.

The high barometer area which moved up the American coast and has caused fair weather over the Pacific Slope, is now crossing the Rockies. This area is likely to be followed by more unsettled weather and showers along the coast. Snow has fallen in Cariboo and throughout the Canadian Territories.

TEMPERATURES.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	41	49
New Westminster	38	50
Kamloops	38	48
Barkerville	18	34
Whitby	18	26
Portland, Ore.	42	49
San Francisco	52	66

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a.m. (Pacific time), Friday:

Victoria and Vicinity.—East and south winds; partly fair and mild, with occasional showers.

Lower Mainland.—Moderate winds; mostly easterly; mild, with occasional rains.

VICTORIA DAILY REPORT.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 a.m. Observations taken daily at 5 a.m., noon and 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, March 1.

Deg.	Deg.
5 a.m. 42	Mean
Noon	44
5 p.m. 48	Highest
.....	50
.....	39

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m. 4 miles south.	
Noon	6 miles east.
5 p.m. 2 miles east.	

Average state of weather.—Fair. Sunshine—8 hours 6 minutes.

Barometer at noon—Observed.....30.110 Corrected.....30.121

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p.m.—Corrected.....30.06

PASSENGERS.

By steamer Islander from Vancouver:

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Thos. Dunn.	Mrs. Agassiz.
Geo. M. Leishman.	Miss Agassiz.
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J. A. Stouffer.	

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F. T. Child.	H. C. Burnett.
J. J. Whalen.	C. P. Axton.
D. A. Smith.	

TOLD OF STEEVENS.

Gen. Kitchener is the sworn foe of war correspondents, yet he said to a representative of the London Mail, apropos of the death of Mr. G. W. Stevens, in Ladysmith: "I was anxious to tell you how very sorry I was to hear of the death of Mr. Stevens. I was with him in the Soudan, and, I can assure you, I saw a great deal of him, and knew him well. He was such a clever and able man. He did his work as correspondent so brilliantly, and he never gave the slightest trouble—I wish all correspondents were like him in the Soudan, and try to follow in his footsteps. I am sure I hope they will. He was a model correspondent, the best I have ever known, and I should like you to say how greatly grieved I am at his death."

The Academy tells this of Stevens: "An old friend had sent Stevens' beautiful lines to me: 'Under the stars and starry sky, Dig the grave and let me lie. Glad did I live, and gladly die, And I laid me down with a will. This be the verse you gave for me! Here he lies where he longer to be: Home is the sailor, home from the sea, And the hunter home from the hill. He said one evening at his happy home in Merton Abbey, before he started on his last journey, that, when out in the Soudan, he crooned himself to sleep at night after night by those lines. For a long time he used to sing them, and it is fitting that he should lie at rest under there in the spacious country, 'Under the wide and starry sky.'"

IDEAL HOURS AND REMUNERATION OF LABOR.

Engineering strongly recommends that in manufacturing works the breakfast break should be entirely done away with, the hours being from 7 in the morning till 12 noon, and from 1 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on ordinary days, whilst on Saturdays, the work closes at 12 noon. There are thus 52½ working hours in a week; but the men might still be paid for 54 hours, the extra one and a half hours being added as a bonus when no time is lost during the week. The system is in operation in some cases and gives equal satisfaction to the firm and to the men. A hungry and sleepy man Engineering continues does his work usually with more than he is obliged to, and the efficiency of the workman in the two hours, which are in this country usually worked before breakfast, is not particularly high. There is, moreover, a direct loss of time on each side of the breakfast break, which can scarcely be less than 10 minutes per day, or one hour per week. In the second place, some firms have adopted the premium plan of paying their men, with the happiest results. It differs according to Engineering, from piece work in that a time is fixed for a job in place of a price. For every hour set a workman can save on the standard time fixed, he receives a premium, which with some firms is as high as one-half the saving effected. Thus, the higher wage the workman makes, the less the cost of the work per piece; whilst with the piecework system the labor cost per piece remains the same, whatever the workman's rate of pay, and as a consequence the latter does no more than is sufficient to earn him the maximum sum which the "office" will permit him to make without being moved to cut prices. The natural consequence of this arrangement is that a certain rate of execution is quickly reached; on piecework, and maintained steadily ever after. With the premium system, on the other hand, the fact that the higher wages a man may make, the less his work costs, checks the too often unreasoning craving of the financial department of the management for cutting down the wages bill. The workman, adds Engineering, has therefore every inducement to continuously increase his output.

Why Semlin Had to Go

Adverse Vote in Legislature Given by Governor as Last of Many Reasons.

Mr. Cotton's Monopoly of Portfolios—Improper Request for Special Warrants.

Evidence Generally That Ministers Had Not Backing of House or Country.

A document of very great interest, and for which there has been an active demand from many members of the house—the communication of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor to the late Premier, in which reasons were assigned by His Honor for the dismissal of the late ministry, is published in the official Gazette of yesterday. In connection with the refusal of the late Premier to gratify the curiosity of the members as to the contents of the letter of dismissal, it will be noted with interest that the Lieutenant-Governor expressly invited Mr. Semlin to lay the letter before the assembly. Its text follows:

Government House,

Victoria, B.C., Feb. 27th, 1900.

To the Honorable Charles A. Semlin, Premier of the Province of British Columbia.

Sir: In reply to the request by you at last night's interview for a further postponement of the report that you promised to make to me last Friday evening regarding your defeat in the legislative assembly, and in reply to the representations that you made at the said interview that you still retained the confidence of the assembly, and would be able to demonstrate the same, I regret to inform you that I do not see my way clear to continue to be guided by your advice. Circumstances have occurred during the last nine months, and more particularly during the last five months, to materially weaken the confidence that I had in your advice—circumstances quite apart from the fact of your having lost the confidence of the legislative assembly. The said circumstances consist chiefly in the following facts:

1. For nearly a year past—more accurately from the 9th of March last—you have not surrounded me with a full executive council, as provided and intended by section 10 of the Constitution Act, as amended in 1890, which reads as follows:

"The executive council of British Columbia shall consist of the following officials, namely: the provincial secretary, attorney-general, chief commissioner of lands and works, minister of finance and agriculture, minister of mines, and president of the council, of whom not more than five shall receive salary."

"That is to say: I am entitled to the advice, and the province is entitled to the services, of six officials as above provided, and while I do not mean to say that advice tendered by a less number may not be acted upon, or that a member of the executive council may not at any time or more of the distinct offices above named, I think such a circumstance is warranted merely as a temporary expedient, pending the selection of an officer, or officers, to complete the statutory number, for, even in England, where there is no such thing as a constitution act to define or limit ministerial offices—where the Queen in council has unlimited authority to create, regulate, or abolish such offices—"such arrangements (the combination of two offices in the hands of one person) are merely provisional, and are set aside whenever their temporary purpose has been fulfilled, or the exigencies of the public service require it."

(Fod's Parliamentary Government in England, Vol. I, 2nd Ed., page 211.)

On the same page will be found reference to the case of the Duke of Wellington having in 1834 assumed charge of the home, foreign and colonial offices, pending the completion of a new administration, in regard to which it is said:

"This proceeding, though confessedly merely provisional, and only intended to secure to Sir Robert Peel upon his arrival a freedom of choice in the filling up of his ministry, was severely criticized at the time. Regarded as a temporary expedient it could not be pronounced unconstitutional, although, if resorted to, under other circumstances, it might lead to serious abuses."

And at the time that the Honorable Mr. Cotton assumed the office of chief commissioner of lands and works, in addition to his duties as minister of finance and agriculture, I certainly understood that it was to be a mere temporary arrangement. But when he was prolonged in the position of finance, I certainly understood that it was to be a permanent one. I do not think that I should any longer ignore the existing political conditions in the province, and the unrest and uncertainty resulting from recent political changes—specifically, it is sufficient, I think, that grave doubts now exist as to whether your administration retains the confidence of the legislative assembly. And for this reason I believe it to be my duty to insist that you either meet the legislative assembly on or before the 20th day of October next, as at first suggested, or that the legislative assembly be held on or before the said date."

yielded, however, to the representations of yourself and colleagues as to the inexpediency of calling a session earlier than January, and the alternative offer of a dissolution was not accepted. But your letter to me of the 2nd September last stated:

"I hasten to assure Your Honor that the council has the utmost confidence that it will be able to satisfy you that there is no cause for apprehension respecting the general political conditions now existing in the province. As regards the relations of the government to the legislative assembly,

I have no reason to believe that the government will not command a majority of the house."

Subsequent events have demonstrated that your assurances were not well founded:

3. On the 18th October last I was asked to sign three special warrants, as follows:

1. The improvement of the trail from Hope to.....\$ 1,000

2. The improvement of the South Vancouver trunk road.....10,000

3. The erection of a court house at Rossland.....45,000

The latter amount being three times larger than that authorized by the legislature. The appropriations made by the legislature for the above-named public works had been allowed to lapse, owing, as Mr. Cotton reported, to the fact that it was found in the first case "impossible" to expend the amount before the close of the fiscal year, ending June 30th, 1899; in the second case "impossible" to expend the amount voted before the said period, owing to the "dilatoriness" of the municipal council of South Vancouver; and in the third case "impracticable" to expend the amount voted. I thought then, and still think, that the said appropriations had been allowed to lapse because Mr. Cotton was unable to properly superintend and administer the business of the two departments of which he had been in charge for four months before the fiscal year expired. And it is also to be noted that it was not until the middle of October that Mr. Cotton was ready to undertake any expenditure in connection with the said public works. Thus the intentions of the legislature were not carried out, and there was direct loss, particularly to the districts concerned. I did not sign the said warrants, as it appeared perfectly clear to me, for reasons set forth in my letter to you of the 19th of October last, that such warrants were not authorized by the "Revenue Act." On observing, however, that the Attorney-General had not been present at the meeting of council at which the issue of the said warrants was advised, I wrote you as follows:

"Now, if you do not feel satisfied, on consideration, that the objections here urged against signing the said warrants are valid, let me suggest that you refer the question to the Attorney-General for a legal opinion as to whether or not the same can, constitutionally, be issued. Should he report to me that they may be I shall be very pleased to have them again referred to me for re-consideration."

(Letter to you, 19th October last, page 4.)

To this letter and suggestion I have never received any reply. So that I was left to infer that the Attorney-General was of the opinion that the issue of such warrants would be unconstitutional, and that had I followed the advice tendered me by the executive council I would have signed special warrants without any lawful authority for so doing.

4. In this same letter of the 19th October last, I also said:

"I regret to say, therefore, that I find myself unable to approve of them (the special warrants) or of any others of a like nature. And in this connection I may say that yesterday afternoon I believe that I had recently approved of one or more special warrants of a character similar to the ones under consideration, but received a few hours earlier. I should like to have them referred to me again, as, if they are similar to the ones returned herewith, I am inclined to believe that they have been improperly approved."

To this request also I have never received any reply. So that for all I know your administration has made use of special money warrants obtained from me inadvertently, and such as the Attorney-General would not sign, were, or could be, constitutionally issued.

5. On the 4th of December last, upon Mr. Cotton's recommendation as chief commissioner of lands and works, the executive council advised me to advise the issue of a warrant for \$2,500.00 for improvements to the Provincial Home and gaol at Kamloops. Mr. Cotton stated that the money was urgently required for "fire protection" purposes. In your letter to me of the 11th December last asking me to reconsider my refusal to sign the warrant, you stated that the money was needed for "sanitary reasons," and that "the necessity for the expenditure of an amount like this could not possibly have been foreseen." I pointed out to you that it had been foreseen for at least a year or more before the House met, and that I had been foreseen for at least a year or more before the House met, and that I had been foreseen for at least a year or more before the House met.

"When I was in Kamloops, over fourteen months ago, both provincial and municipal officials called my attention to the unsanitary conditions of the provincial public buildings, and strongly urged that the necessary improvements should be made as quickly as possible."

So that, although I do not for a moment question but what your statement was made in good faith, yet it was not in accordance with the facts as I knew them, and the reason for the expenditure was shifted from "fire protection" to "sanitary reasons." In your report to me, Mr. Cotton's report, to "sanitary reasons."

6. While the legislature was in session you advised me to make, by order in council, submitted on the 15th ultimo, an important change in the Mineral Act. In your letter to you of the 19th ultimo, giving my reasons for not approving of the said order, I said:

"Now, if the Attorney-General be of opinion that the government should have power to cancel such certificates, after they have been issued, I think that he should refer the matter to the legislature, and obtain its sanction to have the act amended in that respect."

And referring to this in my letter to you of the 19th instant, I said:

"The legislature has been in session for one month since the bill was written, but the Attorney-General has, as yet, neither introduced, nor given any indication of introducing, a bill to amend the Mineral Act in the way that he advised me to do. It should be amended—that is to empower the Lieutenant-Governor in council to cancel certificates of improvement."

This seems to me much like asking me to sanction a change in the law which you hesitate to ask the legislature to sanction. And you not only advise me to practically assume the functions of the legislature in this instance, and that too while the legislature was in session, but you did so with the full intent (which, however, I did not know at the time) of making the proposed regulations retroactive to the prejudice of a free miner's statutory right, as witness the Attorney-General's letter to me of the 10th instant, as follows:

"As my desire, as well as my duty, is to be perfectly frank with Your Honor, I may be permitted to state that, had Your Honor been pleased to approve of the order in council submitted to you on the 18th ultimo, I should have advised the cancellation of the certificate of improvement."

As this matter is fully dealt with in my letter of the 19th instant to you, I shall not enter further into it here, except to say that since the said letter was written I have learned that the certificates of improvement mentioned therein were issued to Dunlop by Mr. Kirkup, by the direction of the Minister of Mines, who acted in accordance with a decision arrived at in this matter by the executive council. That is to say, after you decided on a certain course, i.e., the issuance of the certificate in question, and had been instructed by a subordinate official to carry out that course, and sought to nullify the resulting statutory right by order in council, and, inferentially, threw the blame for the issuance of the certificate—if any blame there

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was—a subordinate official, Mr. Kirkup; for the Attorney-General's recommendation to me in the matter was as follows: "Whenever it appears to the Lieutenant-Governor in council that an official empowered by the Mineral Act to issue certificates of improvement has, through mistake, error, inadvertence or improvidence, improperly issued a certificate of improvement, etc."

I can hardly consider this as being "perfectly frank" with me, to say nothing of the unjust inference in regard to the gold commissioner. And in regard to this Dunlop petition, you not only withhold a free miner's right, lawfully acquired under section 39 of the Mineral Act, but you have not complied with the direction in my letter to you of the 19th ultimo, namely, to issue forthwith a crown grant to the petitioner Dunlop, in accordance with section 39 of the Mineral Act.

Apart from all this, I cannot ignore the fact that the legislative assembly has now been in session for nearly two months, and notwithstanding the confidence you expressed in your letter to me of the 2nd September last, above quoted, you have not been able to pass a single measure, and I believe it to be now sufficiently demonstrated that the interests of the province have suffered, and are suffering, in consequence of a weak and unstable government. Therefore I now deem it my duty to consult other advisers, with a view to forming a new administration, and shall accordingly do so forthwith.

I have only to add that in so far as any permission is needed on my part you are at perfect liberty to now lay this communication before the house for its information. Have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant,

THOS. R. McINNIS,
Lieutenant-Governor.

TIR JUST-ENDED SESSION.

Legislation Undertaken That Did Not Become Law—Random Notes of Parliament.

Although His Honor in his prorogation speech of yesterday complained that although the house had been sitting as long as all last session and practically nothing had been accomplished, it is on record that quite as many measures had been laid before the House and were in various stages of advancement when the life of the government and the parliament was so suddenly cut short. The greater number of these measures are contained in the following list:

To amend the Jurors' Act.
To amend the Trustees and Executors' Act.
To amend the Evidence Act.
To amend the County Courts Act.
To amend the Law Respecting the Liability of Trustees.
To amend the Execution Act.
To amend the Supreme Court Act.
To amend the Companies Act of 1890.
To amend the Game Protection Act.
To amend the Municipalities Incorporation Act.
To amend the Farmers' Institute Act.
To amend the Notaries Appointment Act.
To amend the Department of Mines Act.
To amend the Coal Mines Regulation Act.
To amend the Tramways Incorporation Act.
To amend the Chilcat Pass Railway and Navigation Act.
To amend the Taku and Atlin Railway and Navigation Company.
To amend the Bills of Sale Act.
To amend the Companies' Act 1897.
To amend the Vancouver and Lulu Island Railway Act 1891.
To incorporate the Vancouver and Westminster Railway Company.
To incorporate the Chemainus and Northwestern Railway Company.
To incorporate the East Kootenay Telephone Company Limited.
To incorporate the Crown's Nest Pass Electric Light and Power Company.
To incorporate the Kitimat-Caledonia Company Limited.
To amend the Small Debts Act.
To incorporate the Anglican Synod of the Diocese of New Westminster.
An Act Respecting Solicitors and Barristers.
To amend the Queen's Counsel Act.
To amend the Inspection of Metaliferous Mines Act.
To amend the Pioneer Mining Act.
To incorporate the Lake Bennett Railway Company.
To amend the New Westminster Relief Act 1890.
To amend the Public Schools Act.
To establish Bureaus of Labor Statistics and Councils of Conciliation and Arbitration.
To provide for the Speedy Incorporation of the Town of Phoenix.
To make Special Provisions with regard to the Qualifications of the Members of the Council of the City of Sandon.
To amend the Revenue Tax Act.
To prohibit the Employment in Coal, Metalliferous or Placer Mines of Persons who have or wear hair on their heads over a certain length.
To amend the Municipal Elections Act.
To amend the Railway Assessment Act.
To repeal Chapter 50 of the Statutes of 1898.
To amend the Municipal Clauses Act.
To amend the Rossland Water and Light Company Incorporation Act of 1896.
To amend the Magistrates Act.
To amend the Metalliferous Mines Act.
To amend the Placer Mining Act.
To amend the Supreme Court Act.
To amend the Explosives Storage Act.
To amend the Provincial Elections Act.
To amend the Municipal Elections Act.
An Act Respecting the Measurement of Timber.
An Act for the Redistribution of British Columbia into Electoral Districts, and to amend the Provincial Election Act.

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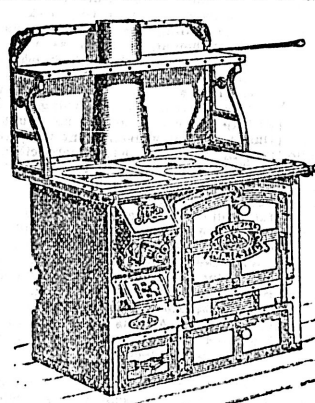
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